City of Taylorsville Newsletter

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MAYOR'S MESSAGE

Dear Friends and Neighbors,

Taylorsville Dayzz celebrated its 27th year this past month, and somehow magically it keeps getting better and better each year — except we know it's not magic. Our city's preeminent event is so successful because of the outstanding, dedicated efforts of the

many, many volunteers who contribute so much to make it so.

The three-day celebration takes the whole year to plan. In fact, I know that even as our eyes turned to the skies to watch the Fireworks Extravaganza on Taylorsville Dayzz' final night, there were brains ticking about what to learn from this year's event toward improvement for the next.

We are so lucky to have so many in our city who are willing to lend a helping hand in creating such fun and organizing an event that brings our entire community together. It's something I look forward to every year, and I know many people who have since moved to other cities or states often come back for Taylorsville Dayzz. In fact, some families even plan their summer family reunions around it, with children and grandchildren returning to their hometown for the celebration.

From the parade, concerts, carnival rides, food booths, car show, 5K and — of course — the best fireworks in the state, Taylorsville Dayzz 2023 had it all again this year. I can't thank Chair Jim Dunnigan and the Taylorsville Dayzz Committee enough for all that they do in putting together such a fantastic event year after year. It is incredible.

I also must thank from the bottom of my heart our Taylorsville PD. Their efforts and planning to keep us safe during the event also takes months of preparation. While their tactical efforts are detailed and comprehensive, it is more than a job for TVPD. They also make a point of joining in the fun, and I am so glad they see the event as an opportunity for connection and relationship building.

It has already been two years since we celebrated our city's 25th birthday with a Taylorsville Dayzz "Birthday Bash" to remember, and in only three years and counting, Taylorsville Dayzz will mark our milestone 30th birthday. What a party it will be, just as Taylorsville Dayzz is each and every year thanks to the efforts of so many.

I am so proud of our Taylorsville community. I love celebrating our hometown with each of you and coming together every summer for these three days that are always packed with festivity and fun. Let's do it again next year!

-Mayor Kristie S. Overson

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City Moves Away from Good Landlord Program in Favor of Streamlined Process



With approval of the City Council, Taylorsville administrators are moving away from the city's Good Landlord Program, in favor of a streamlined effort requiring a single business license for rental properties.

The thinking is that all landlords should be "good landlords." Moving forward, the same expectations set forth as standards within the previous

Good Landlord Program will continue to serve as the best practice model for all landlords within the city. Landlords have always been and will continue to be responsible for providing quality housing, following city codes and ensuring tenants are responsible neighbors.

In part, the city is launching this new effort in tandem with the reminder that all landlords — including for both Single Family Home rentals and Multi-Family Units such as apartment buildings and duplexes — must have a business license with the city to operate.

Licensing ensures the city has updated contact information for the purpose of emergency notifications, code compliance issues, etc. It also helps protect both the landlord's property investment and quality of housing for tenants, as well as the upkeep of neighborhoods.

The city recognizes some landlords may not

have been aware of the need for a business license. In this regard, no additional or penalty fees will be assessed for previous non-compliance over the next six months. This amnesty period will run from July 1 through Dec. 31.

Each new rental license application will be assessed a onetime \$100 administrative fee and base fees, depending on the

rental type. Please visit **www.taylorsvilleut.gov** for a Q&A and further details.

BASE FEES INCLUDE:

- Single Family Home Rentals: \$20 base fee, plus \$70 per unit (generally totaling \$90).
- Multi-Family Units (duplex, triplex, fourplex, apartment buildings): \$90 base fee, plus \$70 per unit.
- Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) for immediate family living in the home, with no additional charge except for the \$100 new application fee noted previously.

Application fees are used to cover administration costs inherent to processing, gathering, maintaining and keeping the records current. The city will no longer issue GLP licenses after June 30, with all rental business licenses cataloged (as one) in favor of the changes.

FREQUENTLY CALLED NUMBERS

Emergency	911
Police Department	
Poison Control Center	1-800-222-1222
Animal Control Shelter	801-965-5800
Animal Control After House Dispatch	801-840-4000
Building Inspection	
Chamber West (Chamber of Commerce)	801-977-8755
Fire Department	
Gang Tip Line	385-468-9768
Garbage/Recycle/GreenWaste Pick-up	
(Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling)	
Granite School District	385-646-5000
Health Department	
Highway Conditions (from cell phone)	511
Park Reservations	385-468-7275
Public Works (Salt Lake County)	385-468-6101
Dominion Energy	800-323-5517
Rocky Mountain Power	
Salt Lake County Recycling/Landfill	801-974-6920
Taylorsville Bennion Improvement District	801-968-9081
Taylorsville Food Pantry	801-815-0003
Taylorsville Senior Center	
Taylorsville Code Enforcement	801-955-2013
Taylorsville Justice Court	
Taylorsville Library	
Taylorsville Recreation Center	385-468-1732
Swimming Pool (Memorial Day to Labor Day)	801-967-5006
Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Center	
UDOT Region 2	
Utah Transit Authority (UTA)	801-743-3882

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UPCOMING EVENTS



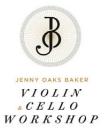
GET TICKETS AT SaltLakeCountyArts.org



July 1
Lyrical Opera Theater
presents
MASQUERADE PARTY



July 29
Jenny Oaks Baker
presents
JENNY OAKS BAKER
VIOLIN & CELLO
PERFORMANCE
WORKSHOP CONCERT



EVENTS JULY 2023

Every Friday night through Sept. 15

Starry Nights @the Plaza. The food trucks arrive at 5 p.m. and most music starts at 6:30. See www.taylorsvilleut.gov for the full schedule and details about what's happening each night.

July 4 – all day

Independence Day. City offices are closed for the holiday.

July 19 – 6:30 p.m.

City Council Meeting @ City Hall and online. Watch a livestream of the meeting on the city's website.

July 10 - 6:30 p.m.

The Taylorsville-Bennion Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers has invited the Days of '47 Royalty to speak @ the Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Center. See accompanying ad on this page.

July 10-15 - 7:30 p.m.

Footloose @ the Mid-Valley Performing Arts Center. Tickets are \$15.

July 11 – 7 p.m. & July 25 – 6 p.m.

Planning Commission Meeting @ City Hall.

July 24 – all day

Pioneer Day. City offices are closed for the holiday.

Find our calendar of events every month on the city's website, where you can also submit your own events for possible publication. Go to www.taylorsvilleut.gov

The Tayorsville-Bennion Chapter of the Sons of Utah Pioneers presents

Meet the Days of '47 Royalty



Monday, July 10 · 6:30 pm

Speakers: SUP President John Clayton & President Elect Nate Pierce Keynote Address and Performances: Days of '47 Royalty

> Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Center 1488 W. 4800 South (outdoors)

> > All are invited. Free. Refreshments.

COUNCIL CORNER

Taylorsville Teens Defy Stereotypes, Exemplify Kindness and Purpose

By Council Member Meredith Harker

Sometimes, I think teenagers these days get a bad rap. Too often, we give them stereotypical labels such as "lazy" or "unmotivated" or "selfish," but my experience with our Taylorsville teens has been the exact opposite of any of those descriptions. Let me give you three examples.

A month ago, we honored the seniors from the Taylorsville Youth Council who graduated from high school. As part of this ceremony, a bio of each teenager was read at our City Council meeting. I was amazed, stunned, floored and overwhelmed by the accomplishments of these young people! The educational opportunities they seized, the service they gave their school and community, their hard work and dedication to making the City of Taylorsville a better place was nothing short of amazing. I felt honored to shake their hands and wish them well in their future endeavors. I know that these teenagers are going to be future leaders and will only continue to make a positive contribution to this world.

That same week, I volunteered at the Taylorsville High School graduation party held at the school until 2 in the morning. Once again, I was delighted to find teens who were respectful, thankful, kind, responsible, excited and energetic. They were full of

life and optimism. It was so fun for me to watch them have fun with their friends and teachers. They played, they ate, they danced, they sang, they swam, and just embraced this very special celebration of all their accomplishments in high school. It was a pleasure to be with them that night.

Then, a few weeks ago, I was able to accompany 60 teenagers from Taylorsville on a Pioneer Trek, a reenactment of the journey that pioneers took to get to the Salt Lake Valley. The trek reenactment was a three-day adventure full of walking, pushing and pulling handcarts, enduring three heavy rainstorms, and getting to know strangers who were now part of their "family." Even though it was challenging, I didn't hear one complaint from anyone. Instead, I saw teamwork, camaraderie, kindness and acceptance.

They made up games and then invited everyone to take part. When they saw someone struggling, they gave a helping hand. When the trail got tough, they cheered each other on. Their energy and spirit were contagious and gave the adults renewed faith in our rising generation.

These are just three examples of ways I've seen the teenagers of Taylorsville step up and shine. These youth have so much to offer this world. They are resilient, brave, respectful, hardworking, dedicated and kind. They have hope for the future and want



LEFT TO RIGHT:
Bob Knudsen, Chair (District 5), Curt Cochran, Vice Chair (District 2), Anna Barbieri, (District 3), Meredith Harker, (District 4) and Ernest Burgess (District 1)

to do their part to make a positive difference in the world. I have been honored to spend some time with them over the past month and celebrate their accomplishments. If you see a teenager anytime soon, tell them they are awesome. They need to know that we believe in them.

City 'Stars' Recognized at 27th Annual Awards Gala

The city's many star employees recently were honored at the 27th annual City Awards Gala, where Mayor Kristie Overson also presented the State of the City address that recognized Taylorsville as strong and flourishing.

In all, 17 awards were presented at the gala on May 16. "Starry Nights" was the theme for the evening at the Mid-Valley Performing Arts Center, so honors included the Rising Star, Shining Star, North Star and Galaxy awards. TVPD Chief Brady Cottam also presented department awards, recognizing lifesaving efforts and distinguished service, as well as supervisor, officer, detective and civilian of the year.

"We could not do all the good we do each year by working alone. Instead, it takes all of us — moving forward with the same goals and vision — to light the way and accomplish all that we have over these past years," Mayor Overson said in her State of the City address, which can be read at www.taylorsvilleut.gov.

Also visit the city's website to see pictures of the following award recipients and additional details. The award winners were:

- Police Star Officer Haas.
- Rising Star City Planner Terryne Bergeson.
- **Lifesaving Award** Officer Gerber, Sgt. Carver, Officers Cluff and Hunt, Sgt. Hill and several UFA members including Capt. Christensen, Engineer Jones, Paramedics Sandstrom and Pitcher and Firefighters Weimokly and Krinke.
- Shooting Star City Engineer Ben White.
- **Distinguished Service Award** Det. Tan, Officer Griffith and TVPD's Directed Enforcement Unit, including Dets. Jensen and Andrew.
- **Shining Star** Administrative Assistant/City Events Planner Jennifer Andrus.
- Meritorious Service Award Det. O'Gwin, Officer List, Det. Keller, TVPD's Defensive Tactics instructors, as well for the handling of four specific cases by 1. Officers Montoya and Houghtalen; 2. Sgts. Bennett and Neal, Det. Lenz and Officers Hunt, Cluff and Berg; 3. Sgt. Lloyd and Officers List and Hood; and 4. Officers Cluff, Houghtalen, Montoya, Hunt and Gerber.





- North Star Facilities Manager Joey Bona.
- Supervisor of the Year Sgt. Palmer.
- Officer of the Year Officer Berg.
- Detective of the Year Det. Dean.
- Civilian of the Year Prosecutor Liaison Jackie Shumway.
- Employee of the Year Municipal Court Civil Case Manager Laci Mechling.
- Unit Citation Violent Crimes Unit: Dets. Barrett, Tan, Baty, Lenz, Dean and Keller.
- Galaxy Award Code Enforcement.
- **Honorary Chief's Award** Senior Supervising Attorney Tyson Hamilton with the Salt Lake County District Attorney's Office, Communications Director Kim Horiuchi.
- Mayor's Choice Award Former Cemetery Sexton Lee Bennion.

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Taylorsville Dayzz Marks Another Successful Year

Thousands of people turned out for this year's Taylorsville Dayzz, featuring the traditional parade, concerts, carnival rides, food booths, car show, 5K and best

fireworks in the state.

"Another fabulous year, it's remarkable how it just keeps getting better and better," said Mayor Kristie Overson.

Mayor Overson thanked event chair Jim Dunnigan and the Taylorsville Dayzz Committee for all the time and effort they put into organizing the festivities, held June 22-24 at Valley Regional Park. "Once again, they were on top of their game," she said. "The event, planning and execution were superb."

The city's float, which also was entered in the Days of '47 Parade, depicted the Taylorsville Dayzz 5K, complete with a hare and a tortoise winning the race. It carried the theme: "Team Taylorsville: Pioneering a Winning Future." This year's headlining

entertainment featured Imagine, Queen Nation and the Surf City Allstars, playing respective Beatles, Queen and Beach Boys music.

"Every aspect of the event was perfect," Mayor Overson said. "We can't wait for next summer!"











Crossing Guard Coordinator Recognized as TVPD Employee of Month

TVPD UTAH

Check this space each month for news about the Taylorsville Police Department (TVPD) and their valuable service to our community.

Congratulations to Taylorsville Crossing Guard Coordinator Chyrelle Fowers, who is TVPD's Employee of the Month! Between being a crossing guard and crossing guard coordinator, Chyrelle has more than 13 years of experience. She has worked for both Unified and Taylorsville police departments.

At present, Chyrelle manages more than 30 crossing guards for TVPD. Chief Cottom notes that this responsibility is no small feat given Taylorsville City has three junior high schools and eight elementary schools within its jurisdiction. Each of these schools require multiple points of crossing, with some located near the busiest roads in Utah.

Chyrelle was nominated as TVPD's latest Employee of the Month by Chief Cottam, who wanted to recognize her outstanding performance. "Chyrelle has done an outstanding job at building TVPD's crossing guard program over the last two years," he said.

TVPD also recognizes all of our crossing guards for the important work they do in helping students cross city, county and state roadways safely, every day during the school year. Additionally, TVPD thanks all the motorists who show our crossing guards courtesy and respect. This past winter was especially challenging, Chief Cottam said, given the season's extreme amount of snow.

In getting to know Chyrelle a little better, some of her favorite hobbies include sports of all kinds. She especially enjoys high school sports but her true passion is coaching girls high school wrestling. Thank you Chyrelle and all our crossing guards for your dedication to Team Taylorsville. Enjoy the summer and we will see you again soon!



Green Committee's 2023 Cleanup Day Collected Tons of Waste







This year's annual Cleanup Day event saw the collection of literally tons of waste for recycling and safe disposal, and for the second year in a row, the Taylorsville Football team did yeoman's work in helping to make the event a great success.

"They were so friendly and helpful to the residents of Taylorsville," said Code Enforcement Manager Kathleen Richins. "They have truly made this event even more successful than it has been in the past, and they make the line move really fast."

One couple, pictured with Green Committee members on their final drive-through at the end of the event, rented a U-Haul truck and came through the line six times. "He was cleaning up his yard and took full advantage of the event," Richins said.

The Taylorsville Police Department also provided outstanding help with logistics, prescription collection and safety, she said. "We really appreciate the volunteers."

The Taylorsville Green Committee, which sponsored the June 10 event, additionally recognized and thanked participating vendors: Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District, Clean Harbors, Metech Recycling, Rocky Mountain Document Destruction and the Other Side Thrift Boutique.

In all, the Green Committee handed out 380 dump vouchers and collected the following and more:

- 2 tons of electronic waste
- 6 tons of shredded paper
- 1.5 tons of latex paint
- 366 pounds of aerosol cans
- 1.11 tons of recycling
- 3.23 tons of green waste
- 240 pounds of glass
- 5.71 tons of bulk waste
- 102.4 pounds of prescription drugs

See additional collection numbers at www.taylorsvilleut.gov. The Green Committee handed out Spring Back Utah business cards listing details on how to recycle mattresses and keep them out of the landfill, and this was the last year the committee accepted CRT monitors and TVs, and plasma TVs.

Taylorsville Bennion Heritage REMEMBRANCES

Sugar Beet Industry Came with Trial, **Error and Decades of Success**

By Susan Yadeskie, Historic Preservation Committee Chair With Joan White and our late friend, Historian Don Frame

Sugar beet production in Utah began in the 19th century and contributed substantially to the economy for almost 100 years. For the initial attempt to produce sugar in the 1850s, 500 bushels of seed and heavy machinery



were shipped from Liverpool, England, to New Orleans by riverboat and then to Fort Leavenworth, Kan. From there, they were hauled by 52 ox teams to the Salt Lake Valley.

A factory was set up in what is now Sugar House. This attempt was not a success because the factory could not solve the chemical problems of converting beets grown in alkali soil into granulated sugar. Another

attempt was made by Arthur Stayner, a horticulturist from England, leading to the first 7,000 pounds of marketable sugar produced in Utah in 1887.

The Utah Sugar Co. was incorporated in 1889. In 1891, the Lehi sugar factory was built by E.H. Dyer. This 350-ton capacity plant was the first beet sugar factory in the U.S. built with American machinery. Factories were then established in other places; the West Jordan factory was built in 1916.

In 1940, Abram Barker, a Taylorsville religious leader who later served on the Salt Lake City Council, oversaw the purchase of a 40-acre welfare farm. It was located west of 2200 West between 5200 South and 4900 South. Barker states in his autobiography, "As I remember this was the first ward farm in the church and as years went on, other communities followed our example." The crops grown were alfalfa, grains and sugar beets, with the big-money crop being the beets.

Hard work and long hours are required to raise good sugar beets so the youth in the community didn't have much leisure time. They furnished most of the hand labor, with adults helping when they could. Thinning and weed-

ing had to be done, and in the fall, the plants had to be hand topped and thrown into sugar beet wagons (later into trucks).

The costs of producing sugar from beets declined as the process continued to improve. But by the later part of the 19th centu-



ry, it could no longer compete with cane sugar from Hawaii, the West Indies, the Philippines and Africa. By the 1980s, there were no beet sugar factories left in Utah. The Utah-Idaho Sugar Co. had abandoned the production of sugar, and the Amalgamated Sugar Co. headquartered in Ogden had only four plants left — none of them in Utah. Today, beet sugar accounts for about 30% of the world's sugar production.

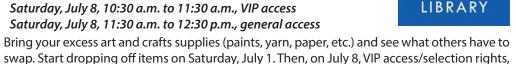
Learn more and see the beet wagon and other farm equipment at the Taylorsville-Bennion Heritage Center, 1488 W. 4800 South. You can also come to a Community Fall Festival at the museum on Sept. 23, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Find for more information about it in next month's Journal.

Don't Miss These Library Events

The Taylorsville Library has planned several programs during the month of July. You'll want to mark your calendar for these events:

ARTS & CRAFTS SWAP

Saturday, July 8, 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., VIP access Saturday, July 8, 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., general access



VIRTUAL ADULT LECTURE | George Washington's Hair: How Early Americans Remembered the Founders

for those who donated, begins at 10:30 a.m. Doors open to the public at 11:30 a.m.

Monday, July 10, 7 p.m. — Historian, Keith Beutler will reveal a forgotten strand of early American memory practices and emerging patriotic identity. Register at: the countylibrary. org/LectureSeries

TEEN WATER GUN ART

Tuesday, July 11, 1 p.m. — Create colorful art by spraying watercolor paint onto a target. Registration begins, Monday, June 12.

MAGIC WITH CHRISTOPHER FAIR

Wednesday, July 12, 10:30 a.m. — Join in magical fun with popular magician, Christopher Fair.

SPLISH SPLASH STORYTIME

Fridays, July 14 and 21, 10 a.m. — The Taylorsville Library and the Taylorsville Outdoor Pool are partnering to offer free summer story times in the pool for families. The Splish Splash Storytime is free. Attendees re-entering the pool after the program are subject to the regular fee. This will be in the shallow beach area of the pool, 4914 S. 2700 West. Children 2 and under must wear a swim diaper. Children 5 and under must be within arms' reach of a parent or guardian at all times. All children must be accompanied by a grownup.



SERVICE SATURDAY

Saturday, July 15, 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. — Drop in to provide service for our community. The library will be putting together blankets for teens in Utah Foster Care.

THE REEL FOLK: AMERICANA MUSIC

Monday, July 17, 6:30 p.m. — Hear the traditional music style of America with the musical group The Reel Folk. Learn about folk instruments and listen to traditional music. This concert will be outside.

A ROBOTICS ADVENTURE

Wednesday, July 19, 10:30 a.m. — Join FIRST Tech Challenge Team S.O.U.P. at a drop-in, handson activity. Learn about robot building and see their robot in action!

TEEN ARCADE

Tuesday, July 25, 1 p.m. — Play low-tech arcade and retro games and earn tickets for prizes.

TEEN END OF SUMMER WATER FIGHT!

Saturday, Aug. 5, 11 a.m. — Celebrate the end of summer with a water fight outside on the grass. Wear clothes that can get wet, and a towel to dry off. Brining your own water gun is encouraged, but the library will have some available.

LIBRARY CLOSURES

Tuesday, July 4, all day — Happy Fourth of July! Monday, July 24, all day — Happy Pioneer Day!



JULY UPDATES

New "Clean Recycling" Guide

WFWRD has a new Clean Recycling Guide. This guide helps visualize items that are accepted in your blue recycle can. Notice that pizza boxes are accepted

in your blue recycle can if they are clean and free of food and grease. The guide also addresses the most common contaminants that the district finds in recycle cans such as plastic bags, food wrappers and Styrofoam. Avoid placing items pictured in the red box in your curbside recycle can as they are contaminants and can disrupt the recycling sort-



ing process. Please only place items pictured in the green boxes in recycle cans. Visit the "How to Recycle" page on the WFWRD website wasatchfrontwaste. org to download and print your own copy. For any questions regarding items

that cannot be placed in your curbside recycle can but can be recycled elsewhere, visit the website or call 385-468-6325.

WFWRD Safety Heroes

Wasatch Front Waste & Recycling District honors the outstanding performance and dedication of employees who perform their jobs safely over time. This includes safe operational and maintenance practices evidenced by being free of at-fault accidents, incidents and injuries. They are awarded a plaque, certificate, monetary incentive and a personalized safety hero coat. So far this year, the following employees were recognized:

3 Years \$300 **Tony Nogales Equipment Operator**



4 Years \$400 **Trace Sondrup QA Inspector Light-Duty**

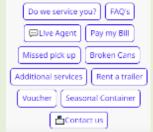


WFWRD Chat Bot

The district is pleased to introduce the WFWRD Bot on its live chat! It can answer many of customers' general questions, guide you through the website, and there is always an option to speak with a live agent. Visit wasatchfrontwaste.org to try it out.

8 Years \$800 **Brady Andersen** Fleet Coordinator Light-Duty





Check Continuous Flow Problems and Save Water

Is your landscape sprinkler stop-and-waste valve or sprinkler valves leaking? Does your toilet tank continue to fill time after time? Is the kitchen sink doing that drip, drip, drip thing?



If you received a notice in the message box on your

bill, it means the water meter has registered a continuous flow of water to your property for more than 15 consecutive days. This may indicate a leak in your system, small or large, that is increasing your usage. Take the time this summer to find and repair any leaks in your plumbing system, which will help you save water and money.

You can also visit TBID's continuous flow website page at tbid.org/continuousleaks for additional information.

If you have any questions, please contact Taylorsville-Bennion Improvement District by calling 801-968-9081 or visiting www.tbid.org. Follow TBID on Facebook and Twitter.



TAYLORSVILLE SENIOR CENTER 4743 S. Plymouth View Drive

July Class Highlights

The center has planned a variety of classes this month:

- Emergency Preparedness Class: July 12 at 10 a.m.
- Monthly Craft with Vickie: July 11 at 10 a.m.
- Ice Cream Social: Every second Wednesday of the month at noon.
- Arthritis Foundation Exercise Program: Every Thursday at 9 a.m. until July 20.
- Line Dancing: Every Friday at 1:30 p.m.

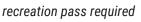
Visit the center's website at www.slco.org/taylorsville-senior-center for other activities and lunch menu information. The Taylorsville Senior Center is located at 4743 S. Plymouth View Drive and can be contacted by phone at 801-385-3370.

Pickleball

Taylorsville Recreation Center

4948 South 2700 West









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